Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 3 and 31. Please amend Claim 1. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method of testing for an allergic disease atopic dermatitis in a test subject, said method comprising the steps of:
 - a) obtaining a sample from the test subject, said sample containing eosinophil cells;
 - b) measuring the expression level of a gene or genes encoding the TR3, TINUR or TR3 and TINUR receptor protein, in the sample eosinophil cells; and
 - c) determining whether the expression level of the gene or genes <u>in the eosinophil</u> <u>cells</u> is elevated compared to the expression level of the gene or genes in eosinophil cells of normal subjects,

wherein a determination that the expression level of the gene or genes in the sample eosinophil cells is elevated indicates that the test subject has an allergic disease atopic dermatitis.

- 2. (Original) The testing method of claim 1, wherein the gene expression level is measured by cDNA PCR.
- 3-53. (Cancelled).